## Elizabeth Higgins Real Estate Broker and Mediator 1087 Pine Dr., El Cajon, CA 92020

Subject: We support Enel's MET campaign

March 30, 2011

Dear Zoning Administrator,

As a long-time real estate broker specializing in San Diego's East County, I can attest that a project like Enel Green Power North America's Jewel Valley Project will prove a boon to the region's economy. The proposed wind generation facility will create much needed new jobs and tax revenues and spur economic growth in a region that could use it. The local economy and proposed county general plan are evidence that an opportunity such as wind generation facilities are much needed to help create the jobs and elevate property values in the east county.

I urge you to approve the permits that will allow the company to install meteorological facilities near Boulevard. Your authorization is a vital step toward the realization of the Jewel Valley Project and the numerous benefits it will bring to the region.

There has been a lot of discussion of late by opponents who claim this project will negatively impact property values in the region. To my knowledge, there is no evidence to demonstrate this statement. To the contrary, with the state mandate to provide green energy from renewable sources, the east county is prime to provide much of the land to construct and maintain the power for all residents in San Diego County. Land values could increase as a result of this ever increasing need.

My assertion is partially backed by an extensive 2009 study by the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. After reviewing nearly a dozen projects around the country, the study's authors concluded that there was no widespread measurable impact on home sales prices from wind turbines.

Thank you for considering this important project. I encourage you to please authorize the permit to allow it to go forward.

Yours truly,

Cliperical Huggins
Elizabeth Higgins

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April 4, 2011

Zoning Administrator C/O Patrick Brown Department of Planning and Land Use 5201 Ruffin Road, Suite B San Diego, CA 92123



DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE

Dear Mr. Brown,

I am writing on behalf of H.O.P.E. of the Mountain Empire, a grassroots group of local citizens concerned about the social and economic health of our mountain empire communities. We appreciate this opportunity to comment on the permit application for Enel Energy to install MET facilities in Boulevard.

I have attached a copy of the platform of our organization as adopted in 2006 and revised recently by the unanimous vote of the membership present at our annual meeting. As you can see, we support "Responsible Sustainable Energy." Responsible can mean many things to many people, but, clearly, you cannot have responsible sustainable energy without carefully studying as many aspects as possible before pursuing it. Testing the wind is a responsible thing to do and H.O.P.E., therefore, supports temporary meteorological towers to study the issue more carefully so that a responsible decision can be made at a future date as to whether the potential for responsible sustainable energy exists. H.O.P.E. of the Mountain Empire supports this effort to install testing equipment and we would ask that after all the data is collected we be allowed to comment on any further proposed actions that may come as a result.

Thank you for you consideration. We look forward to commenting in the future.

Sincerely,

Randy Lenac Chairman

H.O.P.E. of the Mountain Empire

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# H.O.P.E. Platform

# H.O.P.E. is committed to:

The preservation and enhancement of our country lifestyle by listening to and representing the community on the following issues:

Preservation of our rural heritage

Respect for property rights

Efficient & Responsible use of our Water Resources

Quality schools

Fire protection and public safety

Enhanced healthcare, community services and conveniences

Improved community access (roads, trails, public transportation)

Economic prosperity & local jobs & property values

Border protection

Housing availability and variety

Youth and senior quality of life

Building relationships with our tribal neighbors

Responsible Sustainable Energy

## RICHARD F. VOLKER

2445 La Posta Road Campo, CA 91906 (619) 252-0686 (c)

April 1, 2011

Zoning Administrator C/O Patrick Brown 5201 Ruffin Road, Suite B San Diego, CA 92123 DECEIVED N APR 05 2011

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE

Dear Zoning Administrator,

I am writing today to ask you to please approve the MET facility applications for Enel Green Power North America's proposed Jewel Valley Project.

If this renewable energy facility is allowed to move forward it will have a profoundly positive impact on the East County's economy. It will create jobs in a region that desperately needs them, at a time when employment opportunities are few and far between.

I believe the Jewel Valley project will create high-paying, permanent green-collar jobs in the East County and result in dozens of additional positions during construction. I'm informed the facility will also generate much-needed tax revenues for the region.

As a long-time property owner in Campo, I can attest to the need to foster new industries in the East County. One such industry our region is uniquely able to pursue is renewable wind power. Studies have shown this area is among the windiest in California.

I am part of a group called Save Our Rural Economy (S.O.R.E.), which is comprised of ranchers, famers, health care providers, school administrators, tribal members and residents. We are dedicated to preserving property values and a vigorous economy in the East County.

As such, it is my fervent belief that the Jewel Valley Project will help us achieve those goals. We are on the threshold of significant private investment in the region. We would be remiss in letting this opportunity pass us by.

I urge you to please allow this project to proceed. Thanks.

Rich Volker

To: The Department of Planning and Land Use

Attention: Zoning Administrator, Patrick Brown

5201 Ruffin Rd. Suite B

San Diego, CA 92123 - 1666

April 4, 2011

My name is Jose G, Carbajal; I am married to Maria E, Carbajal, we both live at 1637 Jewel Valley Rd. Boulevard, CA. We have made this our residence since 1989; we build our home and raised three sons up in the mountains.

We have invested time and our money that we make paycheck to paycheck, this tells you that we are not well off; we are working people making an honest dollar to live off.

I know this project will have an impact on our health: I for one have a hearing problem since my time in the military electrical generating power plant, my wife and I have a heart condition that will be affected by this power lines and windmills, I will call this waste residue in short radiation.

Power generators produce static, magnetic fields that will cause a person or animal to suffer an ill effect, animal life just under commercial power lines have suffer infertility because of the continued flow of current's magnetic field.

I ask the Zoning Department not to follow through with changing the zone in our farm land properties, especially were families have their houses that are being lived in by us citizens of this country.

One person will benefit from the sale of his property and the installation of the windmills, but many of us will lose the value of our homes. Windmills do not belong at our residential community. If windmills are needed to supply commercial power to the big cities, please put them far away north of us were nobody lives.

I want my wife and me to be put on record that we both agree with the Boulevard Planning Group and totally oppose the M.E.T. Power Project; this project's selective zoning is illegal. Our state government should do a throughout analysis of the damaging effect this project will bring to our beautiful city of Boulevard.

Gracefully yours, Jose G, Carbajal and Maria E. Carbajal

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE April3,2011

Dept of planning and land use Zoning Administration 5201 Ruffin Road Suite B San Diego, Ca 92123

Sirs

Re: MET TOWERS

I am writing this to express my deep concerns over the proposed installation intended for the Lansing property on Jewel Valley Road.

My husband and I retired over 12 years ago at 1601 Jewel Valley Road, which over looks the intended site, less then 1/2 mile from our front porch.

Our concerns are not only the destructions of the wonderful views from our front porch, or the disruption of the peace and quiet of the countryside we chose to live out our retirement years, it is also our health.

I am advised that living within 2 miles of the proposed wind turbans can aggravate the already existing problems in my inner ear. I am told it could cause more pain and more lightheadedness, which could compromise my mobility and jeopardize our ability to remain on our property.

The proposed MET TOWERS, SODOR testers, SUNRISE POWER LINK and WIND FARMS, surely can be placed in an area that does not clutter up the country side and endanger the way of life for people in a well established community that just want to live with nature at it's best with dignity, peace and the quality of life we came here to enjoy.

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We would appreciate your scrutiny on our behalf.

Respectfully

Glenn and Lorelei Howard 1601 jewel Valley Road

Boulevard, Ca 91905

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE April 2, 2011

Department of Planning and Land Use Zoning Administration 5201 Ruffin Road Ste B San Diego CA 92123

RE: ENEL JEWEL VALLEY MET FACILITY APPLICATIONS

I want to go on record opposing the proposed 15 MET facilities currently being considered for installation on the Lansing property in Boulevard. I totally agree with and support the Boulevard Planning Groups position on this project. I also would like to have it noted that I did not receive notice of this hearing. A neighbor advised me of the meeting just last night. My property abuts the Lansing property on three sides, west, north, and east so I definitely should have been notified.

I have been a resident of the area for 50 years, having spent 5 of those years serving as Constable and Bailiff of the Court here in Boulevard.

I do have current hearing problems and my balance is not good. I understand that living within 2 to 5 miles of the windmills can cause these problems to become more pronounced. There is a growing body of evidence of adverse health effects on our health and safety if windmills are placed to nearby our homes. In many areas of the country, homeowners have even been forced to abandon their homes because of the noise levels, high frequency vibrations ,and flashing lights; causing headaches, tinnitus, loss of sleep, depression and many more symptoms too serious to be able to live with.

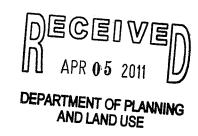
Also, I understand the Sodor unit emits a 70 decibel beep every 20 to 30 seconds. Here in Boulevard, noise carries over a great distance as does light. The sodor beeps will be unbearable and once the windmills are installed the whirring blades and the flashing lights will totally destroy the peace and quiet of our area and will diminish our night skies.

These Met Towers, Sodor testers, Wind Farms need to be placed in an area that is not surrounded by homes within feet of the properties. They need to have 3-5 miles clearance from all installations.

I respectively request that you do not approve these MET towers and Sodar testers and follow the advice and counsel of the Boulevard Planning Group.

Sincerely,

Robert Morrison P.O. Box 1271 1639 Jewel Valley Rd. Boulevard, CA 91905





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316 25<sup>th</sup> Street San Diego, Ca 92102 (619) 238-5551 (619) 238-3807

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Zoning Administrator
C/O Patrick Brown
Department of Planning and Land Use
5201 Ruffin Road, Suite B
San Diego, California 92123
Via Email: patrick.brown@sdcounty.ca.gov

Re: Approval of Jewel Valley MET Facilities

Dear Mr. Brown:

This letter is written to urge you to certify the Enel's MET tower proposal. Renewable energy projects such as the Jewel Valley Project may provide several health benefits, and, over the long term, improve the quality of life for the entire region.

Mountain Health & Community Services, Inc. has been serving the rural, southeast region of San Diego County for over 35 years, and provides the only local source of primary care and mental health services to this severely medically underserved area. We are very concerned with the health issues of our rural population, and believe that working toward enhancing and developing clean and renewable energy sources is vital to the long term health and wellbeing of us all.

The time to commit to renewable energy is long overdue. The Jewel Valley MET project can eventually help reduce CO2 emissions by developing energy sources which will make our air cleaner, reduce our impact on climate change and lower our dependence on foreign oil. Approval of the Jewel Valley project will allow Enel Green Power North America (EGP-NA), to install meteorological (MET) facilities on a proposed site near Boulevard. Potentially, the development of clean energy will help improve air quality by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, thus improving the quality of life for people with asthma and other respiratory conditions.

As a lifelong resident of rural East San Diego County, these issues are important to me. I urge you to approve the Jewel Valley MET project and allow it to proceed as proposed. The negative effects of no action in regard to safe, fossil free energy for our future will be far greater if this project does not move forward.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Judith A. Shaplin

President & Chief Executive Officer

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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND LAND USE LAW OFFICES

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April 2, 2011

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Patrick Brown, Project Manager Department of Planning and Land Use 5201 Ruffin Road, Suite "B" San Diego, California 92123-1666



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Re:

April 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 Hearing Date;

Zoning Administrator Hearing on Jewel Valley Met Facilities;

Applicant EGP Jewel Valley LLC;

Application/Permit Numbers: AD 10-051, AD 10-052, AD 10-053

Dear Mr. Brown:

This office is writing you on behalf of Trustee of the Walapai Trust to express the trustee's opposition to the recommended action reflected in your Notice of Public Hearing on Application/Permit Numbers AD 10-051, AD 10-052 & AD 10-053. The Trustee also objects to the issuance of the Administrative Permits as requested by the applicant.

It is our understanding that it is being recommended that the applications (as requested by EGP Jewel Valley LLC) be determined to be "exempt from environmental review under Sections 15303 and 15306 of the State of California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines". The Trustee feels that this is inappropriate and that the MET facilities in themselves do not qualify for CEQA exemptions from environmental review.

The idea that the proposed Meteorological Testing Facilities (MET) are "small structures" under Section 15303 or that they are simply for information gathering purposes under Section 15306 that "do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource" are not a correct application of the relevant regulations.

The applicant's request for separate Administrative Permits authorizing temporary Meteorological Testing Facilities (MET) in each of the above applications/projects should be denied. If you undertake the recommended action proposed in your Notice of Public Hearing, the Trustee may have to join in filing of future lawsuits for damages related to nuisance, loss of property value, quality of life, loss of the use and

enjoyment of the Trustee's property, and other potential adverse effects to the environment as related to the Trustee's property. The applicant's proposed MET facilities (even without any further development based on the proposed testing) have the potential to immediately and adversely effect the Trustee and the Trustee's properties.

The Trustee of the Walapai Trust owns property to the West of Ribbonwood Road North of I-8 in Boulevard, CA adjacent to the proposed testing/projects. The Trustees of said trust (one trustee recently died) originally invested in approximately 10 acres to the West of Ribbonwood Road and to the North of Opalocka Road back in the 1990's because it was a beautiful and quiet place and they worked hard on maintaining it. The surviving Trustee is concerned for the future of the trust property, the neighbors and the local animals and wildlife. There are deer, bobcats, mountain lions, hawks, owls, woodpeckers and numerous other types of wildlife on the trust property.

You should limit any further industrial wind turbine project testing unless and until there has been a satisfactory review of the effects on the visual resources, health of the individual property owners, indigenous bird and animals, and on the local property values.

The Trustee feels that the proposed testing itself will depress the values of the adjacent properties in the near term and/or depress the potential growth of our local property values in the near term and in the future.

The Trustee supports the opposition letter (public comment) submitted to you by the Boulevard Planning Group (dated March 25, 2011) and the letter submitted to you by Backcountry Against Dumps (dated March 25, 2011). The Trustee supports the comments made in said opposition letters and would request that those project comments and the supporting documents be incorporated herein by reference.

Sincerely

Chifford C. Caldwell, of Pinney, Caldwell & Pace, A Professional Corporation

Attorneys for the Trustee of the Walapai Trust

The Trustee is the Owner of property located to the North of Opalocka Road and West of Ribbonwood Road, Boulevard, CA (APN 611-050-15-00)

cc: Donna Tisdale P. O. Box 1275 Boulevard, CA 91905 LAW OFFICES

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Re:

April 5th 2011 Hearing Date;

Zoning Administrator Hearing on Jewel Valley Met Facilities;

Applicant EGP Jewel Valley LLC;

Application/Permit Numbers: AD 10-051, AD 10-052, AD 10-053

Dear Mr. Brown:

This office is writing you on behalf of Larry M. Bratton to express his opposition to the recommended action reflected in your Notice of Public Hearing on Application/Permit Numbers AD 10-051, AD 10-052 & AD 10-053. Mr. Bratton also objects to the issuance of the Administrative Permits as requested by the applicant.

It is our understanding that it is being recommended that the applications (as requested by EGP Jewel Valley LLC) be determined to be "exempt from environmental review under Sections 15303 and 15306 of the State of California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines". Mr. Bratton feels that this is inappropriate and that the MET facilities in themselves do not qualify for CEQA exemptions from environmental review.

The idea that the proposed Meteorological Testing Facilities (MET) are "small structures" under Section 15303 or that they are simply for information gathering purposes under Section 15306 that "do not result in a serious or major disturbance to an environmental resource" are not a correct application of the relevant regulations.

The applicant's request for separate Administrative Permits authorizing temporary Meteorological Testing Facilities (MET) in each of the above applications/projects should be denied. If you undertake the recommended action proposed in your Notice of Public Hearing, Mr. Bratton may have to join in filing of future lawsuits for damages related to nuisance, loss of property value, quality of life, loss of the use and

enjoyment of his property, and other potential adverse effects to the environment, to himself, his health, and to his property. The applicant's proposed MET facilities (even without any further development based on the proposed testing) have the potential to immediately and adversely effect Mr. Bratton's property and Mr. Bratton.

Mr. Bratton and his deceased spouse purchased the property at 39471 Jewel Valley Way back in 1977 because it was a beautiful and quiet place to live (with a beautiful view) that they could enjoy with their friends and family and they worked hard on keeping it up. Mr. Bratton's property directly overlooks the proposed testing/projects. Mr. Bratton is concerned for the future of his property, the beautiful view that directly overlooks the areas south into Mexico, his neighbors and the local animals and wildlife.

You should limit any further industrial wind turbine project testing unless and until there has been a satisfactory review of the effects on the visual resources, health of the individual property owners, indigenous bird and animals, and on the local property values.

Mr. Bratton feels that the proposed testing itself will depress the values of the adjacent properties in the near term and/or depress the potential growth of the local property values in the near term and in the future.

Mr. Bratton supports the opposition letter (public comment) submitted to you by the Boulevard Planning Group (dated March 25, 2011) and the letter submitted to you by Backcountry Against Dumps (dated March 25, 2011). Mr. Bratton also supports the comments made in said opposition letters and would request that those project comments and the supporting documents be incorporated herein by reference.

Sincerely

Clifford C. Caldwell, of Pinney, Caldwell & Pace, A Professional Corporation Attorneys for Larry M. Bratton.

Larry M. Bratton is the Owner of 39471 Jewel Valley Way, Boulevard, CA 91905 (APN 612-041-18-00)

cc: Donna Tisdale P. O. Box 1275 Boulevard, CA 91905 LAW OFFICES

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April 2, 2011

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Re:

April 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 Hearing Date;

Zoning Administrator Hearing on Jewel Valley Met Facilities;

Applicant EGP Jewel Valley LLC;

Application/Permit Numbers: AD 10-051, AD 10-052, AD 10-053

Dear Mr. Brown:

This office is writing you on behalf of Trustee of the Walapai Properties Retirement Plan Trust to express the trustee's opposition to the recommended action reflected in your Notice of Public Hearing on Application/Permit Numbers AD 10-051, AD 10-052 & AD 10-053. The Trustee also objects to the issuance of the Administrative Permits as requested by the applicant.

It is our understanding that it is being recommended that the applications (as requested by EGP Jewel Valley LLC) be determined to be "exempt from environmental review under Sections 15303 and 15306 of the State of California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines". The Trustee feels that this is inappropriate and that the MET facilities in themselves do not qualify for CEQA exemptions from environmental review.

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The Trustee of the Walapai Properties Retirement Plan Trust owns property to the West of Ribbonwood Road North of I-8 in Boulevard, CA adjacent to the proposed testing/projects. The Trustees of said trust (one trustee recently died) originally invested in approximately 80 acres at 2782 Ribbonwood Road back in the 1990's because it was a beautiful and quiet place and they worked hard on maintaining it. The surviving Trustee is concerned for the future of the trust property, the neighbors and the local animals and wildlife. There are deer, bobcats, mountain lions, hawks, owls, woodpeckers and numerous other types of wildlife on the trust property. In addition, the property has had a natural spring on the southern portion of the property.

You should limit any further industrial wind turbine project testing unless and until there has been a satisfactory review of the effects on the visual resources, health of the individual property owners, indigenous bird and animals, and on the local property values.

The Trustee feels that the proposed testing itself will depress the values of the adjacent properties in the near term and/or depress the potential growth of our local property values in the near term and in the future.

The Trustee supports the opposition letter (public comment) submitted to you by the Boulevard Planning Group (dated March 25, 2011) and the letter submitted to you by Backcountry Against Dumps (dated March 25, 2011). The Trustee supports the comments made in said opposition letters and would request that those project comments and the supporting documents be incorporated herein by reference.

Sincerety

Clifford C. Caldwell, of Pinney, Caldwell & Pace, A Professional Corporation Attorneys for the Trustee of the Walapai Properties Retirement Plan Trust The Trustee is the Owner of 2782 Ribbonwood Road, Boulevard, CA 91905 (APN 611-050-19-00)

cc: Donna Tisdale P. O. Box 1275 Boulevard, CA 91905 LAW OFFICES

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Re:

April 5<sup>th</sup> 2011 Hearing Date;

Zoning Administrator Hearing on Jewel Valley Met Facilities;

Applicant EGP Jewel Valley LLC;

Application/Permit Numbers: AD 10-051, AD 10-052, AD 10-053

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ourselves, our health, and to our properties. The applicant's proposed MET facilities (even without any further development based on the proposed testing) have the potential to immediately and adversely effect our properties and ourselves.

We reside to the West of Ribbonwood Road North of I-8 in Boulevard, CA adjacent to the proposed testing/projects.

We purchased approximately 10 acres at 2754 Ribbonwood Road back in 1997 because it was a beautiful and quiet place to live that we could enjoy with our friends and family and have worked hard on keeping it up. We also have a number of large oak trees on the property. We are concerned for the future of our properties, our neighbors and the local animals and wildlife. We have deer, bob cats, mountain lions, nesting pairs of hawks, owls, woodpeckers and numerous other types of wildlife on our property.

Back in April of 2005 we purchased the adjacent property of approximately 92 aces which contains a large pond, a large population of oak trees, and an old church camp which we have cleaned up and used for gatherings of church groups and family outings, sometimes in excess of two (200) hundred individuals. In addition, we have also used the properties for viewing the stars through small and large telescopes that we own. At night we listen to the croaking frogs, the owls and the coyotes. In other words, we have a beautiful secluded location.

You should limit any further industrial wind turbine project testing unless and until there has been a satisfactory review of the effects on the visual resources, health of the individual property owners, indigenous bird and animals, and on the local property values.

We feel that the proposed testing itself will depress the values of the adjacent properties in the near term and/or depress the potential growth of our local property values in the near term and in the future.

We have also reviewed the opposition letter (public comment) submitted to you by the Boulevard Planning Group (dated March 25, 2011) and the letter submitted to you by Backcountry Against Dumps (dated March 25, 2011). We support the comments made in said opposition letters and would request that those project comments and the supporting documents be incorporated herein by reference.

Sincerely

Clifford C. Caldwell of Pinney, Caldwell & Pace, APC on behalf of himself and his spouse, Concepcion G. Caldwell, the owners of 2750 and 2754 Ribbonwood Road, Boulevard, CA (APN 611-010-09-00 and APN 611-010-08-00)

cc: Donna Tisdale P. O. Box 1275 Boulevard, CA 91905

#### Brown, Patrick

From:

Shellhammer, Jon [Jon.Shellhammer@sdsheriff.org]

Sent:

Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:36 PM

To:

Brown, Patrick

Subject:

RE: AD Permits 10-051, 10-052, 10-053

#### Patrick:

The installation of IR marker lights would certainly assist us in being able to readily identify those towers as all of our night flights are on night vision goggles. I don't personally know of any, however, the Border Patrol may be able to assist with that in that they work closely with SDG&E in the lighting of some of their towers. The painting of the towers certainly helps during day flights, however, it is not much of a benefit at night.

Thank you for the notice and coordinates. Now that you mention it, I do have a recollection of having received something in the past regarding MET towers out in that area. I'm not sure if it was for these current ones or for something that has already been installed. I do think that I responded back to the original notice letter, but again, I'm not sure if it was for these towers or others.

Thanks,

Jon

----Original Message----

From: Brown, Patrick [mailto:Patrick.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:19 PM

To: Shellhammer, Jon

Subject: RE: AD Permits 10-051, 10-052, 10-053

Sergeant Shellhammer,

Your input is important to the discussion. I have received communication from the Border Patrol and they have requested that we have the applicant install IR Marker Lights on the Towers. Would this work for you? This issue came up at a previous hearing and the community did not want additional night lighting, so we opted just for installing aviation orange and white paint for marking. The applicant is looking for an inexpensive IR night marker. Do you know of any? I have also included a copy of a notice letter that has the coordinates of the proposed towers out in that area. Did you receive this notice?

#### **Patrick**

----Original Message----

From: Shellhammer, Jon [mailto:Jon.Shellhammer@sdsheriff.org]

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:13 PM

To: Brown, Patrick

Subject: AD Permits 10-051, 10-052, 10-053

Mr. Brown:

I just recently received information on your public hearing regarding AD Permits 10-051, 10-052, 10-053 which involve the building of MET towers in the areas of Lost Valley Road, Ribbonwood Road, Jewel Valley Road, and Tierra Del Sol. The original date for the public hearing was April 5, 2011,

however, I was also told that the hearing may have been postponed until April 19, 2011. If I am still able to provide input into the process, it would be as follows:

The San Diego Sheriff's Aviation Unit, ASTREA, routinely flies in those areas, both day and night. While our normal patrol altitude is at least 500 feet above the ground, there are certainly situations that require us to fly much lower. While we realize that according to FAA requirements a tower less than 200 feet does not have any illumination requirement, we would certainly appreciate it, if during the installation of said towers, the contractor could provide some type of lighting for the towers. Lighting of the towers would certainly enhance our flight safety while operating in that area.

Any help that your Department could provide in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Jon Shellhammer, Sergeant San Diego Sheriff's Aviation, ASTREA 619-956-4930 Jon.shellhammer@sdsheriff.org

### Brown, Patrick

From:

zuvaruvi@cox.net

Sent:

Wednesday, April 06, 2011 2:46 PM

To:

Heredia, Joan (Enel North America); Brown, Patrick

Cc:

john.micallef@dhs.gov

Subject:

Re: Jewel Valley Met towers AD 10-051, 052, 053

Mr. Brown,

Joan just visited with us (CBP Air and Marine) at our facility. It is refreshing to see her proactive stance on the lighting issue and I have every confidence she will find a MET tower lighting solution that satisfies all concerned.

Regards,

Chad Stevens

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From: "Heredia, Joan (Enel North America)" < Joan. Heredia@enel.com>

Date: Tue, 5 Apr 2011 23:25:08 -0400

To: 'zuvaruvi@cox.net'<<u>zuvaruvi@cox.net</u>>;

'Patrick.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov'<<u>Patrick.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov</u>>

Subject: Re: Jewel Valley Met towers AD 10-051, 052, 053

Chad

If I mapquest:

7685 Pogo Row San Diego, 92154

Is that were we will meet? I will call you on the way.

Thanks for your prompt response. I would like to reach a quick reasonable solution.

Joan

From: <u>zuvaruvi@cox.net</u>

**To**: Heredia, Joan (Enel North America) **Sent**: Tue Apr 05 23:02:43 2011

Subject: Re: Jewel Valley Met towers AD 10-051, 052, 053

Tomorrow at 2p...I'll stick around for you. Give me a call on your way please.

7685 Pogo Row San Diego, 92154

Chad 619.694.9779 619.710.4400

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From: "Heredia, Joan (Enel North America)" < Joan. Heredia@enel.com>

**Date:** Tue, 5 Apr 2011 21:00:37 -0400 **To:** <u>zuvaruvi@cox.net</u>< <u>zuvaruvi@cox.net</u>>

Cc: Brown, Patrick<Patrick.Brown@sdcounty.ca.gov>; Purczynski, Jennifer(Enel North

America) < Jennifer. Purczynski@enel.com >

Subject: Jewel Valley Met towers AD 10-051, 052, 053

Chad.

Thank you for taking the time to talk to me today about potential lighting on met towers. I intend to look further into the Carmanah 500 series lights. I also would be interested in meeting with you to look at the map that you stated shows where other towers with lighting are located. I understand you typically work Sun-Thursday 2pm to 10 pm at Brown field and possibly would like to meet with you at 2 pm tomorrow Wed the 6<sup>th</sup> or next Tu the 12<sup>th</sup>. Please let me know what works best for you.

Take care,

Joan Heredia Environmental Permitting Manager Enel Green Power North America 858-731-5037

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